Created in 1988, the Manufacturing Extension Partnership’s purpose is to provide small and medium sized manufacturers with the help needed to succeed by improving productivity, economic competitiveness and technological capabilities. MEP is a results-based national network of locally-operated and staffed non-profit, university-based, and state-based organizations leveraging federal, state and local, and private resources.

The food industry is ubiquitous across the country and while the concentration of the food industry varies by states, all MEP centers have food industry clients. This provides an opportunity for FDA partners, like the Food Safety Preventive Controls Alliance (FSPCA) to engage those same MEP clients to promote and provide complementary food safety training opportunities to those clients and mutually aligned with the respective goals of both parties.

This partnership among the federal government, state and local governments, and the private sector provides hands-on assistance and services to U.S. manufacturers through manufacturing extension offices in every state across the country and in Puerto Rico. The nationwide network of MEP Centers operating approximately 400 service locations are managed at the federal level by DOC NIST. The NIST MEP National Network, over any given year, typically works with over 25,000 manufacturers across the United States, serving as trusted advisors, focused on solving manufacturers' process and product challenges and identifying opportunities for growth.

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  - Website: [http://www.atn.org/](http://www.atn.org/)

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